

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-\_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE SECTION 37.65  
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF WHEATLAND  
RELATING TO INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF 911 EMERGENCY SIGNS

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The Town Board of the Town of Wheatland, Kenosha County, Wisconsin, in order to promote the public health, safety, general welfare and good order in the Town of Wheatland and for its inhabitants, pursuant to the powers inherent to it as a Town and granted to it by the electors of the Town under the provisions of Section 60.10 and Section 60.22(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes, hereby creates Section 37.65 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Wheatland relating to installation and maintenance of 911 emergency signs to read as follows:

SECTION 37.65      Installation and Maintenance of 911 Emergency Signs.

A.     Scope. Each dwelling unit, all structures, including occasional-use trailers, and every public park within the Town of Wheatland require a 911 emergency sign as approved by the Town to provide for quick access by emergency services organizations.

B.     Application. Applications for 911 emergency signs shall be made to the Town Clerk on forms furnished by the Town. All 911 emergency sign fees required under this ordinance shall be established, from time to time, by Town Board resolution. No building permit for a new structure shall be issued by the Building Inspector until a determination has been made if a new or additional 911 emergency sign is required and all fees, if applicable, for such sign have been paid.

C.     911 Emergency Signs. All 911 emergency signs and posts shall remain the property of the Town of Wheatland. The Town Board or its designee will be responsible for installing new or replacement 911 emergency signs as specified in the then-current Town of Wheatland 911 Emergency Sign Policy once sign numbers have been assigned by the Kenosha County Land Information Office in accordance with the Kenosha County Rural Numbering System. 911 emergency signs will be double-sided, perpendicular to the road with the exception of dead-end roads and cul-de-sacs, which will be single-sided, parallel to the road. 911 emergency signs will be installed within the road right-of-way at a location to be determined by the Fire Chief or Building Inspector in accordance with the then current Town of Wheatland policy on 911 emergency sign placement. Once a sign has been installed, it shall not be removed except by a Town official or designee.

D.     Responsibilities of Town. The Town Board or its designee will maintain the Town 911 emergency number map and provide updated copies to emergency services

organizations on a regular basis. A current copy of the Town 911 emergency number map will be posted and maintained in the Town office.

E. Responsibilities of Property Owners.

- (1) Maintaining the area around 911 emergency signs so that shrubbery, trees, brush, weeds, or other items do not obscure the visibility of the 911 emergency sign.
- (2) Ensuring signs remain free of dirt or snow.
- (3) Ensuring that nothing is attached to the 911 emergency sign post other than the 911 emergency sign.
- (4) Notifying a Town official when a sign is missing or damaged beyond repair. Such notification shall be within forty-eight (48) hours of the occurrence.

The Town of Wheatland will be responsible, at the Town's discretion, for the cost of replacing or repairing 911 emergency signs which show indications of normal wear. Property owners who remove, alter or otherwise damage 911 emergency signs beyond normal wear shall be responsible for cost of replacement or repair.

F. Severability. Should any section, clause or provision of this ordinance be declared by the court to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

Dated at Wheatland, Wisconsin, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

TOWN OF WHEATLAND

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
William Glembocki, Chairperson

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sheila M. Siegler, Clerk

